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Customer Number : 43569

## MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

**SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Applicant confirms that small business entity status is claimed in this application.

**EXTENSION OF TIME**

A petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is not believed necessary.

**CLAIM FEES**

The claim fees have been calculated as follows:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total	19	-	35	= 0 x \$	25.00 = \$ 0.00
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM+ \$					180.00 = \$ 0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$ 0.00</b>

**FEE PAYMENT**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2004 for the above-identified application, amendments and/or remarks submitted herewith include:

- A complete claim listing; and
- Remarks and arguments.